

Sanders	Smith (NJ)	Traficant
Sandlin	Smith (TX)	Udall (CO)
Sawyer	Smith (WA)	Upton
Saxton	Snyder	Vitter
Scarborough	Solis	Walden
Schiff	Spence	Walsh
Schrock	Spratt	Wamp
Sensenbrenner	Stearns	Watkins
Serrano	Stump	Watt (NC)
Sessions	Sununu	Watts (OK)
Shadegg	Tauscher	Waxman
Shaw	Tauzin	Weiner
Shays	Taylor (NC)	Weldon (FL)
Sherman	Terry	Weldon (PA)
Sherwood	Thomas	Whitfield
Shimkus	Thornberry	Wicker
Shows	Thune	Wilson
Shuster	Thurman	Wolf
Simmons	Tiahrt	Woolsey
Simpson	Tiberi	Wu
Skeen	Tierney	Wynn
Skelton	Toomey	
Smith (MI)	Towns	

## NAYS—71

Aderholt	Hoekstra	Pomeroy
Baird	Hulshof	Ramstad
Baldacci	Jefferson	Rangel
Bonior	Johnson, E. B.	Riley
Borski	Jones (OH)	Sabo
Brady (PA)	Kennedy (MN)	Schaffer
Brown (OH)	Kucinich	Schakowsky
Capuano	Larsen (WA)	Scott
Condit	Levin	Lee
Costello	LoBiondo	Slaughter
Crane	McDermott	Stark
Crowley	McGovern	Stenholm
DeFazio	McNulty	Strickland
Doggett	Meeks (NY)	Stupak
English	Miller, George	Sweeney
Filner	Mink	Tanner
Gephardt	Moore	Taylor (MS)
Green (TX)	Neal	Thompson (CA)
Gutknecht	Oberstar	Thompson (MS)
Hastings (FL)	Hefley	Turner
Hill	Pallone	Udall (NM)
Hilleary	Peterson (MN)	Visclosky
Hilliard	Phelps	Waters
Hinchey		Weller

## ANSWERED "PRESENT"—1

Tancredo

## NOT VOTING—24

Becerra	Jackson-Lee	Murtha
Burton	(TX)	Nadler
Cubin	Larson (CT)	Nethercutt
Diaz-Balart	LaTourette	Rahall
Gillmor	Manzullo	Souder
Hall (OH)	McCrery	Velázquez
Hinojosa	Meek (FL)	Wexler
	Menendez	Young (AK)
	Moakley	Young (FL)

□ 1058

Mr. MEEKS of New York changed his vote from "yea" to "nay."

Mr. MCINNIS changed his vote from "nay" to "yea."

So the Journal was approved.

The result of the vote was announced as above recorded.

□ 1100

## LEGISLATIVE PROGRAM

(Mr. ARMEY asked and was given permission to address the House for 1 minute and to revise and extend his remarks.)

Mr. ARMEY. Mr. Speaker, this is to advise the Members of the schedule for the rest of the day and the remainder of the week.

Obviously, we are all very excited. We are very pleased about what we did in this Chamber last night with respect to the education of our children. We

have an opportunity now, in the final moments of completing a conference report on a tax reduction that is anticipated by the whole Nation, for which we have a commitment by both bodies and the White House, to get that work done this weekend. The Members, of course, are anxious about their own plans with respect to their pending District Work Period time with their constituents and with their families. So let me tell you what I can tell you now.

We will soon be reconvening the conference between our body and the other body. It is, of course, all of our hopes that that can go smoothly and expeditiously, but one can never know. So as it is now, I will be returning to that conference, we will be keeping the Members as posted as we can, as timely as we have any information that might be helpful to you in making your plans. We will get that out to you through our whip notices or otherwise.

It would be my effort to come back to this floor at 5 o'clock with another update, so that at least if we do not have any definitive information before then, you can get some information at that time about what it is we hope to do. Members should be advised, I think as of now, definitely there will be no votes before 7 o'clock tonight. If things go well, it is possible we could return and complete the work on the tax bill this evening. If it is not done this evening, we will get that information to you as quickly as possible and then we would find ourselves looking for and hoping for a chance to complete the work tomorrow.

I would hope, as you all do, that we could do that tomorrow, but we have been through these things before and it is a very big bill. There are many Members in both bodies that have heartfelt interests in the bill. The conference could, in fact, take some time to work all those things out.

So what I would ask the Members to do is, one, be of good cheer. We are doing something important for the Nation. It is difficult, but we are called upon in this body at times to make difficult personal sacrifices.

We will go to the conference, commence with the conference, move as quickly as we can and keep you as well informed as possible. But I can say now you will not expect a vote in this Chamber before 7 o'clock. We will get you updated information by 5 o'clock and you ought to be prepared to remain.

Let me just make the point that it is very clearly the intention of this body and of the other body to not adjourn for the Memorial Day District Work Period until this work is done, the conference is completed in both bodies and sent to the President. So that could mean we would be here throughout the weekend. I do not believe it will come to that, but we obviously all need to be prepared for that possibility.

Mr. RANGEL. Mr. Speaker, will the distinguished majority leader yield?

Mr. ARMEY. I am happy to yield to the gentleman from New York.

Mr. RANGEL. When the majority leader refers to the conference, is he talking about the conference that the Speaker selected, you, me, and my chairman, to attend?

Mr. ARMEY. I believe, obviously, I am referring to the conference that was appointed in both bodies to consider the final disposition of the reduction in taxes.

Mr. RANGEL. Will the majority leader yield further?

Mr. ARMEY. I am happy to yield to the gentleman.

Mr. RANGEL. So when you are talking about the conference, that includes me?

Mr. ARMEY. I believe the gentleman from New York was appointed from the Chair just yesterday.

Mr. RANGEL. Will the majority leader yield further?

Mr. ARMEY. I am happy to yield to the gentleman from New York.

Mr. RANGEL. Then last night, the meeting that took place as relates to the Senate and House bill, we would not call that a conference, now, would we?

Mr. ARMEY. We would call that a meeting where we hoped to get things done. And, obviously, when it becomes time to complete the work, there will be, I am sure, some formal meeting of the conferees, their signatures will be attached, it will be announced to the body, and we will be happy to come back here and make our votes in favor of it and move on to go home and celebrate our good deeds with our constituents back home.

Mr. RANGEL. If the gentleman will yield further, I am just trying to clear up when we are having conferences with Republicans and when we are having conferences as designated by the Speaker, because since you do not intend to really tell us what is going on as a body until 5 o'clock, if the legislative conference is going to take place at 5 o'clock, then I would like to know while you have your conferences leading up to that.

Mr. ARMEY. I thank the gentleman for his comments.

Mr. RANGEL. Well, you did not answer, though.

## RECESS

The SPEAKER pro tempore (Mr. LAHOOD). Pursuant to clause 12 of rule I, the Chair declares the House in recess subject to the call of the Chair.

Accordingly (at 11 o'clock and 7 minutes a.m.), the House stood in recess subject to the call of the Chair.

□ 1701

## AFTER RECESS

The recess having expired, the House was called to order by the Speaker pro